

Author's Name _____ Peer Reviewer's Name _____

Peer Revision Guidelines

Help your partner by evaluating whether the memoir meets "memoir criteria."

THE MEMOIR:

- Does this memoir FOCUS AND REFLECT on the relationship between the writer and a particular person, place, animal, object, or event? If so, what is this focus?

- Does this memoir EXPLAIN OR SHOW the significance of the relationship. If so, what is the significance?

- Does this memoir leave the reader with one IMPRESSION of the subject of the memoir? If so, what is this impression?

- Is this memoir LIMITED TO a particular phase, time period, place or recurring event in order to develop the focus? If so, what is this particular phase, time period, place, or recurring event?

Help your partner by giving a few suggestions.

1. Is there a place where your partner should "slow down" or "speed up" the piece? Where?

2. Is there a place where this piece would benefit from a "thoughtshot" to reveal what the writer is thinking? If so, indicate it on the piece by writing TS.

3. Is there a place where this piece would benefit from a "snapshot" to show, not tell? If so, mark the paper with the word "snapshot."